## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

1-15 (*Canceled*):

16 (*Currently Amended*): An imaging apparatus comprising:

an image capture unit;

a generating unit that generates authentication data used to authenticate whether image data acquired by the image capture unit is altered;

an instruction unit that issues an image capture instruction;

a mode setting unit that sets an authentication data addition mode;

a recording unit that records the image data acquired by the image capture unit and the authentication data generated by the generating unit in a removable recording medium, wherein the recording unit records the image data acquired by the image capture unit together with the authentication data in the removable recording medium in accordance with the image capture instruction issued by the instruction unit, if the authentication data addition mode is set by the mode setting unit, and records the image data acquired by the image capture unit without the authentication data in the removable recording medium in accordance with the image capture instruction issued by the instruction unit, if the authentication data addition mode is not set;

a set unit that sets one of a first mode in which the recording unit records the image data acquired by the image capture unit together with the authentication data in the removable recording unit and a second mode in which the recording unit records the image data acquired by the image capture unit without the authentication data in the removable recording medium;

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an input unit that inputs an image capture instruction;

a display unit; and

a control unit that determines whether the authentication data addition mode is set by the mode setting unit in response to the image capture instruction issued by the instruction unit and controls the display unit in accordance with the determination result mode set by the set unit, the control unit controlling the display unit in the first mode so as to display an image relating to the image data which the image capture unit acquired in accordance with the image capture instruction and an additional information indicating that the authentication data is recorded with the image data in response to the image capture instruction, if the authentication data addition mode is set by the mode setting unit, and the control unit controlling the display unit in the second mode so as to display an image relating to the image data which the image capture unit acquired in accordance with the image capture instruction but not to display the additional information in response to the image capture instruction, if the authentication data addition mode is not set.

17 (*Currently Amended*): An apparatus according to claim 16, wherein the control unit controls the display unit in the first mode so as to display the image relating to the image data acquired by the image capture unit and the additional information before the recording unit records the image data and the authentication data, if the authentication data addition mode is set by the mode setting unit.

18 (*Previously Presented*): An apparatus according to claim 17, wherein the generating unit generates the authentication data when the display unit displays the image relating to the image data acquired by the image capture unit and the additional information.

19 (*Currently Amended*): An apparatus according to claim 16, further comprising: a memory,

wherein the image capture unit acquires the image data in response to the image capture instruction and stores the image data in the memory,

wherein the control unit controls the display unit in the first mode so as to display a reduced image of the image data stored in the memory and the additional information, if the authentication data addition mode is set by the mode setting unit, and

wherein the recording unit records the image data stored in the memory with the authentication data in the removable recording medium in the first mode, if the authentication data addition mode is set by the mode setting unit.